

LaHave, Petite Riviere and Rissers Beach - Perfect Day Exploring

Beaches, Sightseeing, Walking



Rissers Beach, Petite Riviere, Nova Scotia



LaHave Bakery, LaHave, Nova Scotia

Embark on a captivating journey to LaHave, where you can experience breathtaking views and interesting culture. Start off at River Ridge Lodge, then take the scenic route through Maders Cove over Lunenburg until reaching Mason Beach and Riverport.

For an unrivalled view of LaHave River, don't forget to cross it with the [LaHave cable ferry](#) - one of Nova Scotia's last! The short wait combined with the 5-minute ride make up for epic sceneries; moreover, embarking is free, so why not try it? The ferry departs East LaHave on the 1/4 hour and 3/4 hour.

Once reaching LaHave, explore what an old French settlement has prepared: the famous [LaHave Bakery](#) offers traditional bread made from locally grown ingredients while LaHave Crafters Co-op boasts handmade artisans' treasures worth admiring.

Continue towards [Fort Point Museum](#) - this perfect point was indeed home in 1632 as first capital colonized by France! Get immersed into New Frances settler lifestyle via museum artifacts exhibited here or just unwind surrounded by picturesque landscape.



Rissers Beach near Petite Riviere

After exploring **Fort Point Museum**, head back south 8 kilometres until you reach Crescent Beach Road; here lies [Crescent Beach](#): 2 km long with ocean views that stretch from Georges Island to Mainland – plus it's car accessible so those with mobility issues can explore too! Walk along this popular summertime destination where swimming, kite surfing & boogie boarding are commonplace activities during warmer months.

Afterward, take your trip further up Hwy 331 where you will come across [Rissers Beach Provincial Park](#) boasting change rooms, washroom facilities and showers - making it the perfect spot all-day outing by the sea!



Rissers Beach Boardwalk, Petite Riviere, Nova Scotia

Rissers Beach is a picturesque escape featuring 1.5 kilometres of sandy beach and warm, shallow waters perfect for swimming! On sunny days the beach provides an ideal spot to relax and soak up some sun rays; be sure to take in its beauty with a leisurely stroll all the way down before returning along peaceful **Risser Beach boardwalk** that follows an inland marsh back toward your parking lot. All seasons are great opportunities to enjoy this fabulous paradise.



Osprey's Nest Public House, Petite Riviere, Nova Scotia

For beach-goers looking for a bite or refreshment, the [Osprey's Nest Public House](#) is just around the corner! Located on Hwy 331 and John Rieser Drive, this charming spot offers an inviting patio in warmer weather - complete with live music performances every Saturday plus select Sundays. However, do remember to check their schedule; they're typically open Thursday through Sunday only. Don't miss out (and don't forget those snacks!) when you roam near Petite Rivière.



Petite Rivière General Store, Petite Rivière, Nova Scotia

Petite Rivière's downtown is full of unique gems! Take a step back in time at the historic [Petite Rivière General Store](#), established in the mid-1920s. Find all those charming necessities - from coffee and baked goods to groceries, gas and liquor outlets. Enjoy some yummy ice cream across the street in their beautiful park after touring this local hub.

Further, explore with artistry: [Maritime Painted Saltbox](#)

features work by Tom Alway & Peter Blais or stop into **Mariner Craft** for sagged bubble glass creations or leather good accented wire jewelry amongst many other one of kind crafts made locally out of pottery, pewter and woodwork.

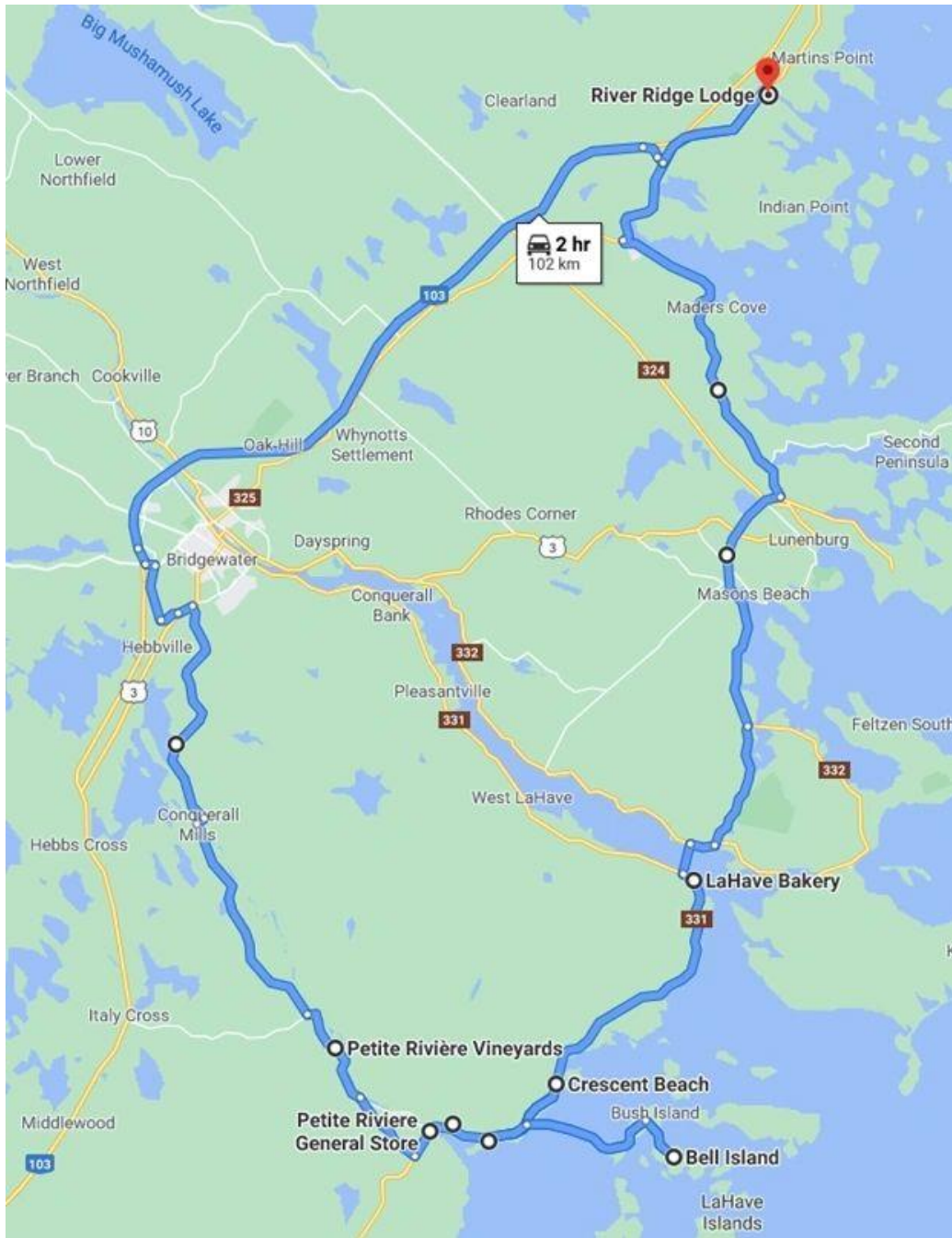
Before heading out on your journey ask us here at **River Ridge Lodge** for our special **Petite Rivière LaHave & Area Guide Map** where you'll discover hidden gems perfect just right around every corner!



Petite Riviere Vineyards, Crowsetown, Nova Scotia

Get ready for a unique and unforgettable experience at [Petite Rivière Winery](#), just 4 kilometres away from the charming corner store in town. Step into this French-style winery with its picturesque gardens, vineyard views and welcoming atmosphere. Enjoy an intimate wine tasting or splurge on their Ultimate Tour & Wine Tasting -- River Ridge Lodge guests are eligible for special discounts if booked through Frauke!

Frauke can help you make reservations and book tour packages that may also include concerts, art shows and other fun events taking place here throughout the year - what better way to get to know the local culture? For directions there, take Petite Rivière Rd followed by Italy Cross Road along your journey towards this amazing destination of leisurely exploration.



Daytrip Route

Take in scenic views of the LaHave River Valley and enjoy a short detour through Conquerall Mills as you make your way back to River Ridge Lodge. From Italy Cross Road, turn right onto Crousetown Rd before continuing on Hwy 3 into Bridgewater - then take a left-hand turn at Hwy 325 and drive across the river bridge until reaching Mahone Bay.

If convenience is what you're looking for, hop onto Highway 103 either from Italy Cross or Bridgewater and race along 'til Exit 10. Make sure to look out for the sign marking entry into Martins River before finally arriving at beautiful [River Ridge Lodge](#) after just 4 kilometres (or 6 if taking the scenic route).